

Remarks

Applicant expresses appreciation for the courtesies extended by the Examiner during an August 23, 2004 telephone call wherein the cancellation of non-elected claim 11 was discussed. The Examiner indicated the only claim remaining subject to withdrawal was claim 11, and that the Examiner deemed that claim 11 lacked unity of invention.

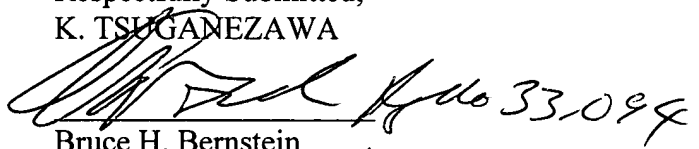
Accordingly, Applicant is submitting this amendment canceling the sole claim remaining subject to lack of unity of invention, i.e., claim 11. The cancellation of claim 11 is made without prejudice to the filing of a divisional application directed to the canceled subject matter.

Allowance of pending claims 1-10 and 12 is respectfully requested.

Therefore, allowance of the application with an early mailing date of the Notices of Allowance and Allowability is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

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